# **Web Development Intern**



Project Title	Web Development Intern
Project Slimmary	Development of the official internship website of one of the most creative and successful digital teams in the U.S. government.
Country	United States

# **Project Description**

The VA Digital Media Engagement Team's Web Development Interns play an essential role in enabling online communications with interns and external stakeholders interested in Veterans Affairs. Interns are responsible for developing new features for and continuously optimizing the backend and front-end features of the DME Team's official internship website (https://dmeinterns.org/). Depending on need, interns may also be called upon to install or update plugins and themes, modify WordPress settings, update theme settings, create sliders, edit pages using various page builders, update menus, widgets, and page settings as well as managing users, updating SEO metadata, etc.

Interns will be asked to work on multiple projects when in the program. At least one of these will be a priority need that will be communicated by Web-focused program leadership. In addition, Web Development interns will be asked to work on at least one project that improves the official internship website while addressing the intern's professional development goals within the program. These individual projects will be mutually decided by the intern and leadership within the program. Examples of individual projects related to Web Development could include, but are not limited to, the following:

- UX/UI/GUI testing of the internship website with a report of one's findings, provide recommendations for improvement and implement approved items
- Application integration between dmeinterns.org and other key applications related to dmeinterns.org program goals (e.g. Slack, Trello, email, etc.)
- Enhance the accessibility of dmeinterns.org for individuals with disabilities
- Selecting key performance indicators (KPIs) for various aspects of a website and presenting them in operational and/or strategic dashboards

Prospective interns should have prior WordPress experience, strong written communication skills, excellent teamwork skills, an understanding of VA's mission, and an understanding of web development. Prospective interns should examine the DME Team's official internship website and address potential improvements when applying.

The Department of Veterans Affairs' Digital Media Engagement Team internship is one of the largest and most established internship programs available through the Virtual Student Federal Service. This year, our internship has hosted over 300 interns in various departments and leadership positions. If you want to join a team that is well structured and will offer meaningful work that will help you build skills that you can add to your resume, then we strongly encourage you to apply to our team.

## **Required Skills or Interests**

Skill(s)

Research

Website design

Writing

#### **Additional Information**

For more information about interning with the Department of Veterans Affairs' Digital Media Engagement Team VSFS Internship program, please visit https://dmeinterns.org/.

### **Language Requirements**

None